



I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

Mail Stop: AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

On June 10, 2004

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP

By: Jay M. Marshall

PPW AP/636  
Box 569

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: 021258-000500US  
Customer No.: 20350

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

OWENS *et al.*

Application No.: 09/807,757

Filed: April 17, 2001

For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS  
FOR MODULATING EXPRESSION  
WITHIN SMOOTH MUSCLE CELLS

Confirmation No. 4147

Examiner: Sullivan, Daniel M.

Art Unit: 1636

**COMMUNICATION UNDER**

**37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825**

**AND**

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop: AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A paper copy and computer readable copy of a substitute sequence listing accompanies this Amendment.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.